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EDITORIAL

A Commission for the Waterworks System

The revelations at the recent sessions of Acton Council have shown very conclusively the absolute need for having the waterworks system under a commission. The members of the Council have not time to give the detailed supervision necessary. The Hydro-Electric system is a success. It is operated under a commission. The waterworks have only been given haphazard supervision by the Council. The results has been very unsatisfactory.

Resuscitation of Drowning Persons

For the past ten years drowning accidents in Ontario have averaged slightly over three hundred per annum. For many years the public have had the impression that resuscitation of persons apparently drowned was a mechanical process and that certain mechanical equipment was necessary. There is ample evidence that the manual method is superior to any other. The Hydro-Electric Power Commission, for instance, discarded all mechanical methods and turned to the method described in bulletin No. 64A, of the Industrial Accident Prevention Association. Copies of this bulletin will gladly be sent on application to the above association at Excelsior Life Building, Toronto.

The Proper Care of Fairview Cemetery

Evidence of the very general desire for the adoption of the Perpetual Care system in Fairview Cemetery presents itself in various ways at quite frequent intervals. A private letter to the editor, from a friend down in Iowa, says: "Mother wishes me to tell you, Mr. Moore, that she is anxious to pay the \$100.00 she promised you would be forthcoming as soon as plans are made for Perpetual Care." Another lady who recently passed away in Acton left a bequest of \$50.00 for Perpetual Care in the Cemetery. As soon as a definite plan for general and Perpetual Care, with an experienced man continuously employed during the summer months in keeping all plots, walks, graves and borders neatly cut and trimmed, we are convinced that thousands of dollars will be donated to that fund. Scores of people who have no opportunity of keeping their plots cared for, are ready to contribute to the fund. Other scores are prepared to pay their quota into a fund and toward a plan which gives any assurance of proper care will be permanently given. The Council supervision has signally failed in the adoption of any adequate plan. Other people have found the work to be effectively and satisfactorily done by a Commission or Board of citizens. Isn't it worth while for the Council to try this method, in view of the success attained in other places?

Acton's Tax Rate for 1926

Contrary to the prophecy of a number of citizens, and the honest expectation of others, the tax rate for 1926 has been kept down by Acton Municipal Council to the same figure as that of last year—44 mills for all purposes. The opinion of those referred to was based upon the fact that a considerable sum was expended out of current revenue for the much desired new motor fire truck, the new fire alarm system, the increased expenditure for the maintenance of the school and other unforeseen expenses. But, by careful economical administration of the affairs of the present year, the rate has not been increased. To the credit of the Council be it proclaimed this happy result has been obtained. Further, by their wise investigation into the operation of the waterworks system, and making adjustments which will mean increased revenues from that utility it will by a year from this date add from \$1,000 to \$2,000 to the receipts from this source alone. Financial matters are placed on a much-improved basis. There is also the encouraging reduction in insurance rates, which effects every citizen in town owning insurable property. This latter has been accomplished through compliance for certain small improvements with the Canadian Underwriters' Association, and repeated conferences with that body. There is every encouragement now to hope for a reduction of the tax rate for next year. This devoutly-wished-for accomplishment will surely be realized, if the same careful administration and wise policy pursued by the Council this year are continued; and especially if the waterworks system is entrusted to a commission similar to that of the Hydro system, or united with that utility. To ensure the accomplishment of that result, some matters relating thereto must be considered without delay. It is very manifest that the waterworks system—the most costly utility in Acton's possession—must be given careful, competent supervision if satisfactory and readily attainable revenues are to be derived therefrom.

No Time

The young men and women who say they have no time for substantial reading, no time for study, no time for deeds of kindness to others, would be astonished if they kept track of a single week, and found how many hours went to waste. In fact it is the exceptional person who does not let enough time slip through his fingers unimproved, to set him a long way toward the realization of his ambition, if only he made the most of it. Since every man has as much as every other, the people who have made "no time" an excuse for their failures to accomplish worthwhile tasks will have to think of another to be consistent.

Making the Town's By-laws Available

The absolute need for a revision and publication of the effective by-laws of the municipality has been shown over and over again at sessions of the Municipal Council this year. At the last session Reeve Mason exclaimed, when the waterworks by-law was enacted and read: "This shows very conclusively the need for putting our by-laws in a form so that they may be available to all citizens desiring to peruse them. Here is a by-law, definite and comprehensive, the provisions of which appear to have been unknown to councillors, officials and the public generally. Had this by-law been in printed form, so that all might have become acquainted with its provisions, we would have had hundreds of dollars more of revenue the past year than we have received."

The Problem of Population

Canada, Australia and South Africa, possessing as they do, vast areas of unoccupied lands within practical reach of transportation, located in the temperate zone and capable of supporting millions of additional rural homes, it cannot be doubted for a moment that these overseas Dominions are much under-populated, and that the over-shadowing problem facing them is to secure a largely augmented agricultural man-power capable of adding to the production of foodstuffs and to absorb the products of the industrial sections of these countries. The present over-population menace of Great Britain and most European countries and the under-population problem of the Overseas Dominions are equally acute. The rational distribution of the white population of the world is rapidly becoming the central problem of modern statesmanship.

Record Trade Balance

Canada now has the largest, favorable trade balance per capita of any country in the world. For the last fiscal year Canada's favorable trade balance amounted to \$401,134,405, an increase over the previous year of \$116,705,289. Only on one other occasion was the Dominion's favorable balance as large, namely, the war year of 1918, when it amounted to \$662,637,214. Among the principal exports are agricultural products which for the 12 months under review totalled in value more than \$600,000,000. Of this amount grain and grain products accounted for \$494,842,476, most of which were the products of the fertile farm lands of Western Canada, where about 100,000,000 acres still await cultivation, of which 25,000,000 acres are near railways and markets. Many of these lands can be bought at prices ranging from \$15 to \$20 an acre.

Reforesting the Waste Places

The planting of nearly 1,000,000 young trees on the waste land of Norfolk this year is a feat worthy of high praise. It is a testimony to what can be accomplished by co-operation, for Norfolk farmers have become thoroughly imbued with the idea of increasing the value, present and future, of their lands by the planting of potential forest giants, and no less than 300 of them participated in the tree planting bee this spring. The majority of them took the allotted quota of 3,500 trees, which are supplied free of charge by the Forestry Station, while some of the more enthusiastic farmers purchased twice that large number over and above their quota. The result is that no inconsiderable area of waste land, which could be utilized for no other purpose, has been reclaimed for the county of Norfolk. What can be accomplished in Norfolk can be done in waste places in other counties of the Province.

EDITORIAL NOTES

The town of Collingwood received a thirteenth bill of \$13,000 a short time ago, and now an announcement of largely increased rates has been received. Domestic rates are nearly double. Fortunately Acton's experience has been the reverse of this. A healthy surplus was reported and substantial reductions in rates now prevail.

People in Canada are evidently qualifying as champion bread eaters. Every man, woman and child in the Dominion consumed an average of 77.3 pounds of baked bread last year. In addition they ate 7.82 pounds of biscuits, 10.8 pounds of candy and half a gallon of ice cream each, a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics shows.

Ex-Premier King and his followers put up rather an attractive list of accomplishments in the interest of the people, as reasons warranting for a renewal of confidence of the electors, viz: cheaper autos, income tax reduction, cancellation of receipts tax, penny postage, reduced national debt and trade expansion. These results, affecting all citizens, are surely paramount to the sentiments of politics.

The Mail and Empire, in reporting the Conservative convention at Milton last Friday, says: "Many prominent Conservative workers who were present predicted that Dr. Anderson's majority on September 14 would be in the neighborhood of 4,000." This is rather a generous prediction, considering the fact that the Dr.'s opponent has not yet been suggested and the Liberal campaign has not yet opened.

At the joint convention held at Woodstock on Friday by the Progressives and Liberals of North Oxford to select a candidate to contest the riding in the coming election, W. J. Taylor, publisher of the Woodstock Sentinel-Review, was chosen. Eight names were submitted, but all withdrew, and Mr. Taylor's nomination was made unanimous. The members of the newspaper fraternity are coming into the campaign early. Mr. S. Charton, of the Brampton Conservator, was nominated last week by Peel Conservatives.

Neighborhood News—Town and Country

LIMEHOUSE

The annual picnic of Knox Presbyterian Sunday School, Georgetown, was held on Friday to Eldorado Park. Mrs. Noble and Jackie and Miss Earl Scott had returned home after a two weeks' visit to Detroit. Mr. Wm. Marshall, Ralph and Winnie were home last week. Mrs. Richard Marshall and Olive have been visiting friends in New York during the week. The directors of the Toronto Lime Co. visited the plant a few days ago. Mrs. Gale has returned to Toronto, after spending a month with her sister, Mrs. Newton.

MILTON

Two fine samples of fall wheat as they stood in the field are on exhibition in Milton, one from Harry White farm, base line, measuring 5 feet 8 1/2 inches, and the other from the farm owned and operated by the Milton Rice Company, measuring 5 feet 11 inches. Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Stark very interestingly visited the late Mrs. J. Paul's W. M. S. for the July meeting, which was held on the lawn. Members of the congregation very kindly lent their cars to convey ladies from and to town. Miss Heather, a missionary from Koloireka, gave a very interesting address—Reference: A lodge of the sons of England Benevolent Society will be opened in Milton on August 4th. Last Wednesday evening Frank, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. White, fell from his bicycle at his home through the back fence to work when he was riding to school. The bicycle ran against the cement walk, and he was thrown from the water. It does not appear to be broken to the elbow and the fracture is a bad one. Dr. H. A. McCall motored with him this morning to General Hospital for an X-ray examination. Mrs. White also went in the car—Champion.

GEORGETOWN

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OAKVILLE

Men are at work re-shingling the roof on the Temperance Hall. The offices of the Town Clerk and the office of the Municipal Engineer are being moved and the improvement is very noticeable. Dr. R. M. McElin, director of the clinic of the Orthopedic Hospital in Chicago, is spending his vacation at St. John's paragon with his parents, Rev. J. H. McElin and Mrs. McElin. The ladies of the Order of the Eastern Star held a very enjoyable and successful afternoon tea and sale of home cooking in the Masonic Hall on Saturday afternoon. Walter Cross, of Hamilton, District Deputy of the L. O. E. F. presided at Monday night's meeting of the local lodge. Mr. Alton Pratt and Mr. Blittner, of Washington, D. C., who are at present on a motor tour of Canada, have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Deane, Kerr Street.

Mrs. F. C. Burroughes, Mr. Bert Burroughes and family and Mr. Roy Burroughes will occupy the summer home of Mr. F. L. Wilson, Lake front, for the summer months.

The annual Games—Party of the Oakville Fire is scheduled for the 17th of August, and preparations are now being made to make this popular event one of the biggest successes yet.

At the centennial picnic of the Eaton and Vandugens, held on the farm at Eaton, at Carlisle on Saturday afternoon, Birge Gunby, ex-Warden of Halton County, ninety-eight years of age, was one of the oldest members present.

Stan Russell and Earl Ryan took a flying trip to Toronto last week-end to try their luck at the Elphinstone Pike Bay, Stokes Bay and Lion's Head. They found the bass running poorly, but managed to hook several good sized salmon trout. While at Stokes Bay Stan tried to fish for salmon trout.

George Taylor, seven-year-old son of Arnold Taylor, market gardener, was drowned on Friday afternoon in the Sixteen Mile Creek near the old dam at Ansbury's Mill. He stepped into a deep hole while in bathing.

Paring a corn is both risky and ineffective. It is much better to use Holloway's Corn Remover and eradicate them entirely.

THE REAL DANGER

A highly skilled workman in a new aircraft factory, named Sandy McTavish, was asked if he would like to accompany the works aviator on one of his trial flights in a new machine. After some hesitation Sandy agreed to go.

During the flight the aviator asked Sandy how he was enjoying himself. "To tell the truth," answered the boy, "I was nervous before the start, but now I'm just thinking of jumping the boy."

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

DIVINE AND HUMAN LEADERSHIP

General Lesson Title—The Deliverance at the Red Sea.
Scripture Lesson—Exodus 13: 17-22 and Hebrews 11: 29.
Reference Material—Psalm 78: 12-14; Heb. 11: 29.

Golden Text.—Jehovah is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation.—Exodus 15: 2.
Devotional Reading.—Psalm 37: 1-5.

The Text Explained
17. God led them—That is, Moses led them under God's guidance. The land of the Philistines, the plain which lay along the coast of southern Palestine. It was in the direct line of communication; here was the great road from Egypt northward. When they see war—Pharaoh (Meneptah) was at this time engaged in war with his vassal king in Palestine, and the direct route was a centre of military activity.

18. The way of the wilderness—An uninhabited, and therefore, relatively safe, region. Armed—They were prepared against any emergency.

19. Joseph's body had undoubtedly been carried to the land of Egypt according to Egyptian customs.

21-22. God never deserts those who trust in His guidance.

14: 10. The Egyptians, travelling rapidly, had trapped the Israelites, who were retarded by their lack of discipline, and were being overtaken by women, children and old people, and by a vast quantity of household goods and their large which eat holes. Extensive tests showed that Flit spray did not stain the most delicate fabrics.

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The Eye of Faith. Moses prayed and waited through the night in perfect faith for the answer. The rising sun revealed the miracle. God's East Wind had forced the water back so that the way of escape lay open before them. Faith is that power which sees the hand of God where others see but a natural occurrence.

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For Study and Discussion
Why did Israel leave Egypt by the way of the wilderness? In what way did they find themselves? How were they saved? Was it a miracle? What in their lives would be the result of such faith? What did the Deliverance accomplish in any one's life? What have you let God do with you?

Daily Readings for Next Week
Monday—Exodus 13: 1-17
Tuesday—Exodus 13: 18-18
Wednesday—Exodus 16: 21-30
Thursday—Exodus 16: 31-36
Friday—John 5: 1-9
Saturday—John 5: 48-59
Sunday—John 5: 33-40.

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No. 26 7:05 a.m.
No. 30 11:48 a.m.
No. 34 3:35 p.m.
No. 36 6:17 p.m.
No. 38 8:13 p.m.

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